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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF A NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37 C.F.R. §1.121)

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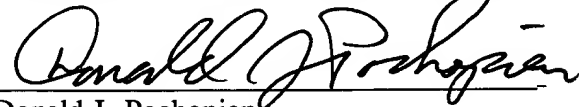
Sir:

Applicants are responding to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated 07/21/06 (“the Notice”), for which compliance is due by 08/21/06. In the Notice, the Applicants were advised that the Figures submitted with their amendment were non-compliant because they lacked a caption at the top identifying them as Replacement Sheets. In response, Applicants attach and co-file with this document “REPLACEMENT SHEETS” 1/21, 15/21, 16/21, 17/21, 18/21, 19/21, 20/21 and 21/21 of the Formal Drawings, wherein each of the REPLACEMENT SHEETS is now labelled in the top margin as a “REPLACEMENT SHEET.”

Respectfully submitted,

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